

# ARMY ROTC UNIT

VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE

## MR Thomas E. Atkinson (Retired) Recruiting Operations Officer

### Awards and Decorations

- Meritorious Service Medal
- Army Commendation Medal (1 silver star)
- Army Achievement Medal (2 oak leaf cluster)
- Good Conduct Medal (1 silver clasp)
- Army of Occupation Medal-Berlin
- National Defense Service Medal
- Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
- NCO Professional Development Ribbon (#3)
- Army Service Ribbon
- Overseas Service Ribbon
- Drill Sergeant Badge
- Achievement Medal for Civilian Service



### Career Path

Mr. Atkinson enlisted in the Army in December 1972. He has served in a variety of administrative and supervisory positions throughout the world including Chief, Admin NCO, Army ROTC, Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, VA; First Sergeant, 1109th Signal Battalion, Panama; Chief, Mail and Distribution Center, Fort Clayton, Panama; AG, Personnel Service Center, Fort Dix, NJ; Drill Sergeant, Fort Dix, NJ; USA Chaplain School, Fort Monmouth, NJ; HQ Berlin Brigade, Berlin, Germany; USA Reception Station, Fort Dix, NJ. He also served with the Joint Communication Command Center during Operation Just Cause, Panama. He is a graduate of the First Sergeant Course, Drill Sergeant School, Advanced NCO Course, and Instructor Course. Mr. Atkinson retired from the Army in February 1993 after more than 20 years of service. He has worked in the Army ROTC Battalion as a Civilian since November 1992 as a State and Federal employee.

### Education

Associate Degree in Business Administration  
Associate Degree in Small Business Management

### Personal

Married to Lovie Atkinson, and they have one daughter, one son, and one granddaughter.